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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: ADOPT AND ADVERTISE 88TH STREET EAST, AVENUE Q-4 TO PALMDALE BOULEVARD ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SUN VILLAGE (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications for 88th Street East, Avenue Q-4 to Palmdale Boulevard, in the unincorporated community of Sun Village (5), at an estimated cost between \$265,000 and \$310,000.
- 2. Call for bids to be received on February 12, 2008.
- Instruct the Executive Officer of your Board to advertise the project and seal and return the plans and specifications to the Department of Public Works for filing.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain bids for the construction of roadway pavement on an existing unpaved street.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1), Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4), and Community Services (Goal 6). The recommended action will help meet these goals by providing improved highway facilities for the traveling public which benefit the community, and by actively seeking grant funds to augment the County's funding source.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction cost to complete this project is in the range of \$265,000 to \$310,000.

The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$531,000, including \$185,000 for design services financed by the Road Fund in prior fiscal years, \$71,000 in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund Budget, and \$275,000 in the Special Road District No. 5 Fund Budget to finance the construction cost of the project. The project is being administered under the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Program. A total of \$256,000 in Road Fund expenditures will be reimbursed under this program.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project, to contract for the construction of new roadway pavement, is part of the Department of Public Works' ongoing highway construction and maintenance program. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in May and be completed in July 2008.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including, but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN/GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to

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Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202; Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, which is defined as the firm that; (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation, including, but not limited to licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to the lowest responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with the Department of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On June 26, 2007, Agenda Item 2, your Board found that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder meeting the criteria established by your Board and the California Public Contract Code.

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To increase contractor awareness of our program to contract work to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved highway facilities for the traveling public, thereby benefiting the community.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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c: County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

88TH STREET EAST INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR PUBLISHING LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

From:

Department of Public Works

Construction Division

PUBLISHING

In accordance with Section 20392 of the Public Contract Code:

Publish: At least ten consecutive times, prior to the date set for opening bids, in a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the County and designated by the Board, or for at least two consecutive times prior to such date in a weekly newspaper printed and published in the County and designated by the Board.

Time Limitation: To open bids in four weeks.

(First advertisement to be published no later than January 19, 2008)

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Construction Division, for the construction of asphalt concrete pavement on base material; relocation of chain link fence; and other appurtenant work under Project ID No. RDC0013401, 88th Street East, Avenue Q-4 to Palmdale Boulevard, in the unincorporated community of Sun Village.

The bids must be submitted at the Cashier's Office, located on the Mezzanine level, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803-1331, before 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2008. The bids will then be publicly opened and read in Conference Room A or at the location posted in the main lobby.

The work shall be done in accordance with the Plans and Specifications on file and open for inspection at the County Board of Supervisors Executive Office and the Department of Public Works. The work is estimated to cost between \$265,000 and \$310,000 and shall be completed in 35 working days. The work requires a California Class A or C12 contractor's license. Prebid questions regarding the Plans and Specifications should be directed to Ms. Sumitha Shival at (626) 458-3159.

A prebid meeting to discuss Section 3 requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 30, 2008, at the Department of Public Work's Road Maintenance District No. 5, Conference Room, 38126 North Sierra Highway, Palmdale, California 93550. Attendance at this meeting is not mandatory for award of the Contract.

The bids must be submitted on the proposal forms included in the bidder's package of the contract documents which may be purchased for \$15, if picked up at the aforementioned Cashier's Office, (626) 458-6959, Monday through Thursday between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., or at the Department of Public Works Permit Office, 38126 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, California 93550, (661) 947-4151, Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The bidder's package of the contract documents may also be mailed for \$19, which includes postage and handling.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond payable to Los Angeles County in an amount equal to at least 10 percent of the bid to guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract if it is awarded to him.

This is a federally assisted construction contract. Federal Labor Standards Provisions including prevailing wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon and related Acts will be enforced. In the event of a conflict between Federal and State wages rates, the higher of the two will prevail. The contractor's duty to pay State prevailing wages can be found under Labor Code Section 1770 et seq. Labor Code Sections 1775 and 1777.7 outline the penalties for failure to pay prevailing wages and employ apprentices including forfeitures and debarment.

The rate of compensation for any classification not listed in the schedule, but which may be required to execute the contract, shall be commensurate and in accordance with the rates specified for similar or comparable classifications or for those performing similar or comparable duties.

This federally assisted construction project is also subject to Section 3 requirements of the Housing Act of 1968. All bidders must commit to employ low-income residents from the local community to achieve the Section 3 goals and to be considered a Section 3 responsive bidder. A bidder who is not responsive to Section 3 requirements shall be considered a nonresponsive bidder to this Notice Inviting Bids.

The bid must provide full disclosure of False Claims Act violations, labor law/payroll violations, debarments, and civil/criminal legal actions as provided for on the forms included as part of the Proposal. Failure to complete these forms may result in a determination that the bidder is nonresponsive and/or not responsible.

The contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; however, the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

A responsible bidder is a bidder who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

The successful bidder will be required to fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees and comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of Assignment and continue to maintain compliance throughout the duration of the contract. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of the contract or initiation of debarment proceedings.

The successful bidder will be required to submit a faithful performance bond, payment bond, liability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance with the contract.

As provided for in Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code, the contractor may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the Department of Public Works to ensure performance under the contract or enter into an escrow agreement for payment of such monies to an escrow agent.

Each person by submitting a response to this Notice Inviting Bids certifies that such bidder and each County lobbyist and County lobbying firm, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Bidder, is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code.

Para mas informacion con relacion a esta noticia, por favor llame a este numero (626) 458-3104. Nuestras horas de oficina son de 7 a.m. a 5:30 p.m. de Lunes a Jueves.

The County supports and encourages equal opportunity contracting.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Dated, January 15, 2008.

Sachi A. Hamai **Executive Officer** of the Board of Supervisors

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